

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Mercuri, et al.  
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Material  
Group Art Unit: 1774  
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**AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.312**

Commissioner for Patents  
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**VIA ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION**

Dear Sir:

This is an amendment to correct formal matters in the claims of the above-captioned application without changing the scope thereof.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.